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SUBJECT: DRAFT RESOLUTION ON INCB REPORT

1. IN CONNECTION WITH ECOSOC CONSIDERATION OF INCB REPORT, DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN EXAMINING ALTERNATIVE RESOLUTIONS: FIRST, THE THOUGHTFUL, COMPREHENSIVE DRAFT SUBMITTED UNDER COVER OF REFERENCED LETTER AND SECOND, A SHORTER VER-SION WHICH IS REPRODUCED BELOW. AT THE PRESENT TIME WE TEND TO FAVOR THE SHORTER VERSION WHICH WE BELIEVE WILL FOCUS ATTENTION ON OUR MAJOR OBJECTIVES OF FULLY ENDORSING THE BOARD'S REPORT AND COMMENDING IT TO THE URGENT CONSID-ERATION OF MEMBERS. WE WOULD HOPE THAT THIS FORMULATION WOULD BE SATISFACTORY TO THE BOARD INSOFAR AS IT GIVES FULL RECOGNITION TO THE VALUABLE SERVICES PERFORMED BY ITS PER-SONNEL OVER THE PAST YEARS, AND ENCOURAGES MEMBER STATES TO GIVE SERIOUS ATTENTION TO CONTENTS OF REPORT. AT THE SAME TIME BY AVOIDING A SELECTIVE LIST OF BOARD CONCLUSIONS AS IN THE LONGER VERSION OF THE RESOLUTION. WE HOPE TO FORE-LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CLOSE THE POSSIBILITY OF OTHER DELEGATIONS ADDING ADDITION-

AL POINTS WHICH MIGHT CREATE DIFFICULTIES FOR US. FYI: FOR EXAMPLE, WE WOULD NOT WISH THE TURKISH OR OTHER DELEGATIONS TO ADD A PARAGRAPH EMPHASIZING THE RIGHTS OF MEMBERS TO GROW OPIUM UNDER THE TERMS OF THE SINGLE CONVENTION. END FYI. WHILE FLOATING THE SHORTER VERSION OF THE RESOLUTION WOULD NOT ENTIRELY PRECLUDE THIS POSSIBILITY, WE

BELIEVE IT WOULD LOWER THE ODDS THAT OTHER DELEGATIONS WOULD SEEK TO TINKER WITH IT.

- 2. MISSION IS REQUESTED TO SHOW THE TEXT OF THE SHORTER VERSION TO THE SECRETARY OF THE INCB TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER HE WOULD AGREE THAT SHORT RESOLUTION FOCUSSED ON STRONG ENDORSEMENT OF THE INCB REPORT WOULD BE A VALUABLE GOAL FOR THIS SESSION OF ECOSOC.
- 3. TEXT OF SHORTER VERSION IS AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE: THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL,
 (A) HAVING CONSIDERED THE REPORT OF THE INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL BOARD ON ITS WORK IN 1973,
 (B) RECALLING ITS RESOLUTIONS 1557 (L) OF 20 MAY 1971,
 1662 (LII) OF 1 JUNE 1972 AND 1779 (LIV) OF 18 MAY 1973,
- 1. EXPRESSES ITS APPRECIATION TO THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, PARTICULARLY THOSE MEMBERS WHOSE TERMS EXPIRE DURING 1974, FOR THEIR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE IN INTERNATIONAL DRUG CONTROL;
- 2. COMMENDS THE BOARD FOR ITS COMPREHENSIVE AND VALUABLE REPORT ON ITS WORK IN 1973; AND
- 3. RECOMMENDS THAT REPORT TO THE URGENT AND SERIOUS ATTENTION OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS. END QUOTE. RUSH

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